

## Message Text

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SUBJECT: VISIT OF AMBASSADOR LEONARD/SIDC CONFERENCE

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1. WE CAN APPRECIATE THE IMPORTANCE OF AMBASSADOR LEONARD'S  
SSOD CONSULTATIONS IN MOSCOW AND THE NEED TO ALLOW SUFFI-  
CIENT TIME FOR THEM.

2. HOWEVER, AN APRIL 26 WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON DEPARTURE,  
AS SUGGESTED IN PARA 1 OF REFTEL, WOULD REQUIRE CANCELLATION  
OF THE AFTERNOON SESSION OF AMBASSADOR LEONARD'S CONSULTA-  
TIONS WITH THE FINNISH FOREIGN MINISTRY. THESE CONSULTATIONS  
CONSTITUTE THE PRINCIPAL INTEREST OF THE FINNISH GOVERNMENT  
IN AMBASSADOR LEONARD'S VISIT, INASMUCH AS THE DISARMAMENT  
CONFERENCE IS A NON-GOVERNMENTAL SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL AFFAIR.  
THE FINNISH FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS HAVE GIVEN THE EMBASSY  
CLEAR INDICATION OF GREAT INTEREST IN THEIR CONSULTATIONS  
WITH AMBASSADOR LEONARD.

3. MOREOVER, PRIME MINISTER SORSA (SOCIAL DEMOCRAT)  
HAS CONFIRMED HIS ACCEPTANCE OF AMBASSADOR RIDGWAY'S  
INVITATION TO THE WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER IN HONOR  
OF AMBASSADOR LEONARD. IT IS EXTREMELY GRATIFYING  
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THAT THE PRIME MINISTER HAS ACCEPTED OUR INVITATION  
DESPITE THE DEMANDS ON HIS TIME RESULTING FROM THE  
PRESENCE IN HELSINKI OF SEVERAL OF EUROPE'S LEADING  
SOCIAL DEMOCRATS.

4. FOR THESE REASONS WE STRONGLY URGE THAT AMBASSADOR  
LEONARD DEPART FOR MOSCOW THE NEXT DAY, THURSDAY,

APRIL 27, AS MENTIONED IN PARA 2 OF THE REFTEL.

RIDGWAY

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